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## **RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.143**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 23,2005, setting forth a requirement for restriction and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1, 3, 18-20, 22-23, and 5-9 in part, drawn to a method for detecting a cell in the development of an aberrant cell from a subject comprising contacting the cells with immunointeractive molecules specific to LM04 and screening for the level of the complex formation, classified in class 435, subclass 7.1. Applicants also provisionally elect the species of mammary cell from subgroup (a) and hybridoma 16H2 from subgroup (b) for continued prosecution.

## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)**

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